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Subject: Therapy Programs - Year 2003 Changes and Additions to CPT™ and HCPCS Codes

Effective for dates of service on and after January 1, 2003, the Medical Assistance Administration (MAA) will begin using the Year 2003 CPT™ and HCPCS Level II code additions as discussed in this memorandum. Maximum allowable fees for the Year 2003 additions are also included.

Old Codes

All procedure code maximum allowable fees that are not listed in this memorandum remain at the July 1, 2002, level. **Do not use** CPT™ and HCPCS codes that are deleted in the “Year 2003 CPT™” book and the “Year 2003 HCPCS” book for dates of service after December 31, 2002.

Maximum Allowable Fees

MAA used the following resources in determining the maximum allowable fees for the Year 2003 additions:

- Year 2003 Medicare Physician Fee Schedule Data Base (MPFSDB) Relative Value Units (RVU's); and
- Current conversion factors.



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Deleted CPT[®] and HCPCS Codes

CPT codes **92525** and **92598** have been **deleted** and are no longer billable by neurodevelopmental centers or speech therapists.

Therapies**Audiologists**

The following procedures are added to those billable by an audiologist:

CPT Code	Brief Descriptions	1/1/03 Maximum Allowable Fee (All Settings)
92601	Cochlear implt f/up exam < 7	\$81.67
92602	Reprogram cochlear implt < 7	57.10
92603	Cochlear implt f/up exam 7 >	54.83
92604	Reprogram cochlear implt 7 >	37.31

Speech Therapists

The following procedures are added to those billable by a speech therapist:

CPT Code	Brief Descriptions	1/1/03 Maximum Allowable Fee (All Settings)
92605	Eval for nonspeech device rx	Bundled
92606	Non-speech device service	Bundled
92607	Ex for speech device rx, 1 hr	\$68.02
92608	Ex for speech device rx, addl	13.42
92609	Use of speech device service	36.86
92610	Evaluate swallowing function	26.16

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